

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Jonathan Martin Shekter

Serial No.: 09/863,025

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For: SYSTEM FOR MANIPULATING
NOISE IN DIGITAL IMAGES

Group Art Unit: 2621

Examiner: Patrick L. Edwards

Attorney Docket: 3120794.0003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
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Dear Sir:,

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 27, 2004, please
consider the following:

ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant provisionally elects the invention identified by the Examiner as
Invention I, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicant submits that the several inventions indicted by the Examiner are all
related to the field of noise handling and digital images and are all classified in class 382.
Applicant submits that there will be no significant additional burden to the Examiner in
conducting a search including the various subclasses for each of the inventions identified by the
Examiner.

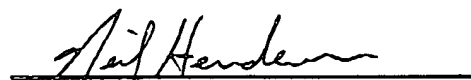
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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to advise the Examiner that the ownership of this application has recently changed hands and that the new owner intends to file an updated claim set in relation to at least the provisionally elected invention identified by the Examiner as Invention I. It is the intention of the applicant to file a new claim set within two weeks of the filing of this Response to Restriction Requirement. Applicant submits that the new claim set will assist the Examiner in conducting a search in relation to this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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